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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for:

Sheem et al.

Serial No. 09/512,394

Filed: February 24, 2000

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Commissioner:

In connection with the Office Action mailed November 18, 2002 regarding the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks below.